CHURCH BANQUET—Among members who recently attended the Mt. Olive Freewill Baptist Church banquet and 55th birthday celebration for Bishop Leo K. Caesar were, (from left) Rev. Annie Jackson, guest speaker;; Mrs. Mildred Caesar and Bishop Leo Caesar, pastor of Mt. Olive, Rev. Earl and Mrs. Vernell Davis, Mrs. Lottie Mitchell, chairman; Nathaniel Barr and Mrs. Martha Stinson. Bishop Caesar's six Baltimore Churches have a total of some 1,300 members.

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In Our Churches

By Pam Wedgeon

Churches are invited to send news of special church activities and a copy of their church programs.

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The Guiding Light Circle of St Matthews United Methodist Church, 416 E. 23rd St. will present Richard Fowler in a concert Sunday 4 p.m. at the church. The Rev. Arthur White is pastor, Mrs. Delores Bishop, chairman; Mrs. Katherine Terry, president.

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Youth and Young Adult Day will be observed Sunday at United Baptist Church, 832 N. Broadway.

The Rev. Miss Cynthia Jones is the 11 a.m. speaker. Soloists will be Mrs. Isadora Ellis and Samuel Shofer.

Revival services are now being held at Macedonia Holy Church of Power, 2702 Pennsylvania Ave. The Rev. Sylvia Hartwell will preside at the services. Rev. Alice Young will also participate at revival services. Elder Matthew Anderson is pastor.

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The Baptist Ministers Wives Alliance of Baltimore and vicinity recently had their meeting. Mrs. Jerolyn Stewart presided, the meeting was held at New Lebanon Calvary Baptist Church.

The second anniversary of the womens' chorale of Memorial Baptist Church is set for Sunday, Jan. 13, 1974 5 p.m.

Special guests are New Metropolitan Baptist Church and Rev. Lawyer L. Swinson pastor choirs and congregation.

Tonight Friday, Jan 11 7:30 p.m. guests are various choirs and choruses from throughout the city.

Mrs. Mabel Watts is business mayer. Mrs. Yvonne Smith president.

Dial the doctor for questions on drugs

The March of Dimes' state-wide medical information line, "Dial-The-Doctor," features a message on the rational use of drugs and the patient drug profile. The new message which will run during the months of January and February is presented by Dr. William Kinnard, dean of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, speaking for the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association.

The March of Dimes "Dial-The-Doctor" is provided as a public service to all Maryland residents. Throughout the state, the message can be heard by dialing 1-800-492-9502 toll-free. The caller may leave a question related to the topic which will be answered by Dr. Kinnard through the mail.

'Mother Cooper', 75, Trinity Church leader.

"Granny, as she, was affectionately called by her children, her children's friends, her friends, people whom she met and others lived a very quiet, modest and serene life.

"Hers was a strong but gentle way of radiance and beauty. She was not one for show and display but for genuine concern and affection on the lives of those she met.

"Those fortunate enough to have known her are now embodied with a greater, bigger, better life in trying to emulate what she lived—her favorite words 'Come let us reason."

This was a funeral tribute paid Mrs. Flossie Wilson Cooper, 75, 1815 Poplar Grove St.

Mrs. Cooper, a long-time leader in Trinity AME Church, where she was known as "Mother Cooper," was memoralized Thursday morning, January 3 at the church.

The Rev. Dr. John Cox, presiding elder officiated, assisted by the Revs. John Wilson, AME minister; Curtis A. Kearns, Trinity Presbyterian Church; James E. Adams, Centennial Methodist; W. P. Mitchell, Payne AME and Bishop M. D. Norton, New Trinity Church.

Mrs. Mary E. Mosely of Trinity presided

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Born June 27, 1898, in Cedar Key, Fla., Mrs. Cooper was the widow of John Cooper. She was educated in the schools of Florida and in the early 1920's she and her husband moved to Baltimore.

She and her family joined Trinity where she and her family were affiliated. For 40 years, the Cradle Roll Department, the Allen Christian Endeavor League, the Young People's Missionary Society, the Sunday School, and the Senior Missionary Society.

Mrs. Cooper was a life long member of Stewardess Board No. 2, where she held the office of president for over 16 years.

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Mrs. Cooper and her husband had 15 children, 11 of whom survive. The surviving children are George Cooper, who is ill, James Cooper and Eugene Cooper, an Arundel Ice Cream Company employee; Miss Ruth Cooper, teacher at Belmont School No. 217; and Miss Jean Cooper.

And, daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Jenkins, (Irene), housewife; the Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Campbell, (Anna), Cortez Peters, graduate; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reed, (Flossie), retired dietician; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith, (Dorothy), teacher at Edgewood School No. 67.

And sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes Cooper, (Elizabeth); Mr. and Mrs. John Franklin Cooper, (Margretta). The son, Hugh is an Arundel Ice Cream employe and John, a physical therapist at Fort Howard Hospital.

Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. Addie H. Cooper of Lake City, S.C. 15 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

The grandchildren are, Mrs. Arlene Mark, Archie Jenkins, Jr., Richard, William, and Larry Jenkins; and Mrs. Dora Barnes, Mrs. Doris Gury, Miss Margaret Ann Camper, Kenton Camper, Cecil Camper, Gary Camper, Terrence Cooper, Warren Cooper and Darryl Smith.

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Mrs. Cooper's love for children extended beyond her own family. The funeral program noted that she helped a number of young mothers by keeping their children while they worked.

In addition, it was recalled she gave love, help and devotion to others, whom she referred to as her adopted children. They are, Mrs. Samuel Ware, Mrs. Armenia Braxton Holmes and Mrs. Fleetie Puyner.

Charles Parker, who provided music at the services was a devoted family friend.

MT. CALVARY HOLY TEMPLE—When a gospel program was held recently at Mt. Calvary Church, present were (From left) Rabbi Jacob A. Max, guest speaker; Mrs. Alfreda Twine, sponsor of the affair, and Bill (Sparky) Mullen.

Cup company worker wins money game

Michael Coleman of Garrison Blvd., a foreman at the Md. Cup Company, was a recent winner in the AFRO's money game, "Were You There?"

AFRO photographer, Benjamin Phillips, took his picture at a recent Colt game. Because he was in the lucky circle and presented his picture, with identification at the AFRO before deadline, he collected his $5 prize.

Mr. Coleman is married to Mrs. Doretha Coleman, a Hecht Co. employee in the Sales Bureau.

"I was really surprised when my brother, David Coleman, showed it to me," he said.

"I have been reading the AFRO for a long time, ever since my mother, Mrs. Edna Coleman, used to work here."

Mrs. Coleman is now employed as a clerk at Fort Holabird. His father, David Coleman, is a truck driver for Ruddles'.

The family attends Shiloh Baptist Church, where the Rev. Mr. Harold Carter is minister.

Mr. Coleman purchases his AFROs at the newsstand and enjoys reading the sports section.

You too, can be a winner and have extra money. Look for your picture in each edition of the AFRO's sports page, and claim your prize before the deadline. There are no other rules.

LUCKY SPOT — Michael Coleman of Garrison Blvd. happened to be at the lucky spot at the right moment when he was caught by AFRO photographer, Benjamin Phillips for AFRO's money game, "Were you there?"

MRS. FLOSSIE W. COOPER

Rites in D.C. for mother of Douglass V.P.

Services were held Thursday, 11 a.m. at Tabor Presbyterian Church, Second and S Sts., Washington, D.C. for Mrs. Mamie L. Smith, 85, 3505 Hilton Rd. Mrs Smith is the mother of Ralph J. Smith, vice-principal at Douglass High School.

Mrs. Smith, the daughter of Walter and Mrs. Sally Sanderson was born Aug. 27, 1888 in Lower Peach Tree, Ala. She attended Knoxville and Alabama State Colleges and taught at Camden Academy, Camden, Alabama before her retirement.

A member of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Camden, Mrs. Smith was very active in the Presbyterian Synod, attending conferences throughout the country.

Surviving her are: daughters, Mrs. Tillie W. Kyle, Pine Bluff, Ark., Mrs. Anna S. Hardy, Wash., D.C., Mrs. Lucy S. Shelton, Culver City, Calif., Mrs. Marie S. Jenkins, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., Mrs. Margaret S. Brooks, Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Laura S. Perry, Englewood, N.J.; sons, Ralph J. Smith, Hueatis H. and Walter E. Smith of Wash., D.C.; one sister, Mrs. Carrie S. Washington, one brother, Walter B. Sanderson, 20 grandchildren and a score of other relatives.

The funeral arrangements were managed by McGuire Funeral Home, 1820 Ninth St. NW, Wash., D.C. Three Presbyterian ministers, The Rev. William T. Peters, Grace Memorial Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, The Rev. Reginald Daniels, Madison Ave. Presbyterian Church, Baltimore and The Rev. Mr. Pharr, acting clergy at Tabor Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Smith is buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

Christian Science talk Jan. 15

Albert Crichlow, the first black citizen to become a Christian Science lecturer, will deliver a free lecture entitled "Prayer Power" on Saturday, Jan. 19 at 11 a.m. at the Senator Theatre on York Road. All are invited.

Mr. Crichlow is a member of the Christian Science Board of Lecturership of Boston, Mass. The lecture is under the auspices of First Church of Christ Scientists, Baltimore, Md.

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SERMON "FARMARKS OF A NATION IN TROUBLE" by Rev. Marshall H. Strickland
MUSIC: by The Sanctuary Choir and Gospel Choruses
1:30 P.M.—ZION FELLOWSHIP
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8 A.M.—Sunday WEBB 1360

Treatment at this clinic might cure your child from run ning away from home

Baltimore City Hospitals' Department of Psychiatry has opened a "Behavior Clinic" to provide individual, Family, and Group Psychotherapy on an outpatient basis.

The new clinic is staffed by psychological specialists, using such techniques as Behavior Modification, Behavior Therapy, Autogenic Control, Bio-Feedback, Psychological Testing, Individual, and Group Therapy, in the treatment of patients.

Some specific psychological problems which can be treated include tension and migraine headaches, insomnia, phobias, and stuttering.

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Family therapy provides structured programs designed to assist Adolescent Behavior Disorders (such as acting out in school, running away from home, stealing, and aggressive acts) as well as Child Behavior Disorders (such as temper-tantrums, persistent bed-wetting, or discipline problems at home or in school).

Family therapy also enters into the area of Sexual Dysfunction (including impotence, frigidity, and mutual or individual dissatisfaction).

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In addition, Group Procedures are offered to divorced, separated, or single mothers who may require child management guidance.

Baltimore City Hospitals' "Clinic" also offers Drug Abuse Counseling, moderation or abstinence training for persons with alcohol abuse problems, and a wide variety of other services.

"Clinic" services are available on relatively short notice. The schedule of fees is in accordance with those charged for all professional services at the Hospitals, and is scaled to the individual's ability to pay.

For further information or referral, call Dr. Richard P. Allen, Chief, Division of Psychology, at 342-5400, extension 587, or write to the Behavior Clinic, Baltimore City Hospitals, Department of Psychiatry, 4940 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21224.

MOURNERS shown entering All Saints Catholic Church Jan. 4 for last rites for Harry Leon Gilbert Jr. included (from left) Mr. and Mrs. John (Genesta) Lane, sister and brother-in-law; accompanied by Kenneth Law, mortician and (right) funeral home assistant carrying the veteran's flag. (Right panel) relatives. Mr. and Mrs. John J. Oliver, John H. Murphy III, Mesdames Theadosia Stokes, Elizabeth M. Oliver, cousins; Miss Jacqueline Corbett, John Lane Jr., University of Maryland journalism seniors; Misses Gina and Harriett Lane, University of Maryland, nieces and nephews; Mrs. Yvonne Bennett, niece; George D. Gilbert, brother; Mrs. Edna Watson, aunt and Mrs. Thelma Camphor, cousin.

Harry Leon Gilbert's last rites arranged by his nieces, nephew

Impressive last rites were held at All Saints Catholic Church, 4500 Liberty Heights Ave., for Harry Leon Gilbert Jr., who died Jan. 1, New Years Day of a heart attack.

Born Nov. 15, 1922, the son of the late Harry Gilbert Sr. and Mrs. Genesta Gilbert, he was the grandson of the late Mrs. Harriett Murphy Gilbert and George Gilbert and great grandson of Afro founder John H. Murphy Sr.

Mr. Gilbert's nieces, Misses Gina Lane and Harriett Lane arranged the services. The obituary was by Miss Gina Lane. Miss Harriett Lane read a poem dedicated to her uncle's memory.

The Requiem Mass was by Father Joseph DiGinetta, pastor who also gave the eulogy. Mr. Gilbert is buried in the New Memorial Gardens, Woodlawn Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Jerry Hom, husband of a niece, Mrs. Gail Gilbert Hom; George S. Bennett, Lawrence Rabb, Ralph Jefferson, Edward Bailey and Larry Strickland with honorary bearers, George C. Page Jr., Garth Coleman, Harry E. Bennett, Grant Owens, Samuals H. Adams and William Adams.

Mr. Gilbert was a veteran of World War II European theatre service and the youngest of three children, George D. Gilbert and Mrs. Genesta Gilbert Lane.

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"Gill" as his friends often called him, was educated in the Baltimore public schools. He graduated from the old Douglass High School in February, 1941.

He was inducted into the U.S. Army in 1943. He strove for excellence in every phase of his life and this area was not left out. He served in Germany and France and was awarded a Good Conduct Medal, European African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon, and the World War II Victory Ribbon. In 1946 he was honorably discharged.

Mr. Gilbert attended Cortez Peter's Business College.

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There he was awarded senior membership in the Order of Artistic Typists. He excelled in the areas of typing and short hand; he was said to have been one of the most well rounded individuals.

His proficiency afforded him the opportunity to be inducted in the Chi Psi Sigma Fraternity in July of 1948.

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After a brief stay with the Afro-American Newspaper he found the job he worked on for 18 years at the United States Post Office until his untimely death. Here, his rating was always 100 per cent.

He was a great sports fan. When he wasn't watching some type of sports activity he was helping his family. There was never any man more concerned or devoted to his family than "Uncle Harry."

Surviving are his brother George D. Gilbert; his sister, Mrs. Genesta Lane and her husband, John Lane Sr.; 4 nieces, Harriett and Gina Lane, Mrs. Yvonne Bennett and Mrs. Gail Hom. His loss is equally felt by his nephews, John Lane Jr., George Bennett and Henry Hom, and a great niece, Kristina Bennett.

Elected Officials Praise Dr. Roland Patterson

Elected officials, civic leaders and interested citizens met several hours with School Superintendent Roland Patterson and two School Board members Jan. 8 in Room 1018 of the George H. Fallon Building.

The meeting, convened by Congressman Parren J. Mitchell (D-7th Md.) was originally designed as a second briefing session for elected officials.

However, Cong. Mitchell asked those in attendance to address themselves to ways of reducing the controversy and criticisms surrounding Dr. Patterson.

Mitchell said, "Our public schools cannot function effectively in this kind of climate and tragically, it is our children who suffer the most in the long run."

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Dr. Gil Schiffman, director of Education, Johns Hopkins University, also issued a statement of support for Dr. Patterson and his program for the public schools.

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"There was consensus in determining the major areas of controversy. They are (1) The Reorganization Plan; (2) School Teachers' salaries; (3) The Right to Read Program; (4) The subtle attempts of some members of the City Council to control the School Board and the Public Schools; (5) The alleged desire of the Baltimore Department of Finance to have the school budget under its complete control; and (6) Lack of communication within the school system and lack of communication between the school administration and the public.

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All those present at the meeting voiced strong support of Superintendent Patterson but pointed out that he must institute certain measures in order to diminish internal criticisms.

Councilwomain Mary B. Adams pointed out that teachers will give their full cooperation if they are fully informed on the objectives, problems and accomplishments of the school administration.

She said, "For example, teachers must be frankly advised that the reorganization plan is not finalized, that it is still in process, that it must be given some operational time before anyone can make a fair, critical evaluation of it."

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City Councilman Charles Wheatley said while we continue to critically examine our public schools, we must place equal stress on the accomplishments of the schools which he emphasized are considerable.

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City Councilman Robert Douglas stressed that some members of the School Board when they appear before the City Council apparently shift their positions from those taken in the School Board meetings.

He joined with Howard P. Rawlings in decrying the mayor's failure to take action on School Board carry over positions.

One participant noted that within our city there are those elements which harbor a grudge because of Dr. Sheldon's "forced resignation" and are determined to destroy Dr. Patterson no matter the cost.

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The participants were in full agreement that the following strategies would be pursued.

First, they would fully support and cooperate with the friends on the Baltimore City Council who are providing leadership in attempting to end the controversies surrounding the public school administration.

Second, that while recognizing the need for significant administrative, public relations and communication improvements on the part of Dr. Patterson, they would issue statements of public support for the school superintendent.

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Councilwoman Victorine Adams, who is still recuperating, forwarded this statement for the meeting:

"All of the members of the City Council are concerned about the increasing criticism of the Baltimore Public School in general and Dr. Patterson in particular.

"Some of the members of the City Council are conducting inquiries to determine what is fact and what is fiction with the idea of attempting to find ways and means of evolving solutions to these problems.

"Personally I give a vote of confidence to Dr. Patterson. I think he deserves it and I promise to do all that I can to help solve the problems of the School System so that Dr. Patterson can complete the job he has started.

"This will be for the benefit of all children in Baltimore Public Schools. I want to congratulate you, Congressman Mitchell, for holding this conference and I hope some of the answers to some of the problems will come back as a result of the meeting."

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Third, the elected officials agreed that having been provided candid briefings on the public school situation they will carry the message to their constituents in meetings and through press releases. State Senator Verda Welcome authorized the release of her statement immediately.

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Senator Welcome said, "I am seriously concerned about the rumors and innuendoes being battered around about our school superintendent, Dr. Patterson and the reorganization program in our schools.

"The Board of Directors, the mayor and City Council endorsed the reorganization plan when it was first presented to them. Now, while it is in its initial state of development, like most programs when drastic changes are made, there is a mad race to destroy it before the program has chance to take roots.

"I heartily endorse Dr. Patterson's efforts and call on the mayor, the City Council and the Board of Education to support the endeavors being made to improve our educational system in the interest of our children.

"I deplore the politics being injected in this situation and appeal to those who feel they have been affected by the reorganization not to lead guerilla warfare against our dedicated Superintendent of Schools."

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Cong. Mitchell expressed his appreciation for the participation of those who attended and for the splendid sense of constructive discussion that dominated the meeting.

Mitchell added, "I have seen far too many situations in which a dedicated public servant has been pilloried because he attempted to really do the job.

"Dr. Roland Patterson has made some mistakes and in all probability will make more in the future because he is, like the rest of us, subject to human error.

"However, after many meetings with him, I am convinced that none of us can doubt his sincere commitment to provide quality education to our children and his ability to deveiler on that commitment."

Delegates Walter Dean and Kenneth Webster advised the group that they have conducted a series of meetings with citizens and various interest groups during the past six weeks in an effort to ameliorate the situation.

"We can now see the degree of success we have achieved and we shall continue these efforts, the delegates remarked," they said.

Attending the meeting were Delegates Calvin Douglas, Walter Dean, Isaiah Dixon, John Douglas and Kenneth Webster.

Senator Verda Welcome; City Council members, Mary B. Adams, Robert Douglas and Charles Wheatley.

School Board members James Griffin and Dr. W. Eugene Scott; Dr. Roland Patterson and associates and Howard P. Rawlings.

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Although unable to attend, Del. Lloyal Randolph voiced support of the position taken by the participants.

Del. Hildagardeis Boswell, re-affirmed her support for Dr. Patterson, citing the attacks against him as being for the most part politically motivated and based on racism.

Bd. requests $2.4 milllon for Balto. public schools

School Superintendent Roland N. Patterson announced Thursday a $2.4 million budget request for Baltimore public schools for the school year 1974-75.

The Department of Education's request represents a 10 per cent increase over the $2.1 million it received for the school year 1973-74.

The new budget was unveiled during a regular meeting of the School Board and includes a $1.8 million allotment for 201 new instructional posts: 89 teachers, 98 resource teachers and 14 instructional support services.

In presenting the budget request Dr. Patterson noted that since he was appointed school superintendent in 1971, the rate of inflation has steadily exceeded the per cent of budget increase.

He added that in view of this $2.4 million "is not too much to ask to operate a school system."

If the 1974-75 budget request is approved in its present form by the City Council, (and odds are against it), taxes for city residents will increase approximately 6 cents.

A public hearing on the request will be held Jan. 15 at Coldspring Elementary School (1400 Exter Hall Ave.) beginning at 7 p.m.

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The meeting ended on a positive note when Mrs. Shirley Jackson and Mrs. Cheryl Jackson (not related) addressed the board and praised Dr. Patterson for his reorganization plan.

"He's doing a beautiful job and we parents are going to stand up and be counted from now on in support of Dr. Patterson." Mrs. S. Jackson stated. She added that the superintendent had the talent "and the city is supposed to have the money" to make a success of reorganization in Baltimore.

Mrs. Cheryl Jackson told the board that prior to reorganization, the quality of education at her area school was lax and the children were "not achieving well."

Like many speakers who had preceded her, Mrs. Jackson advocated more support for the Patterson administration from board members as well as more cooperation from teachers.

She also questioned the motives of those instructors who blamed Dr. Patterson for the current teachers-salary situation and for the paucity of supplies in the public school system.

The next board meeting will be held Jan. 15, 7 p.m. at Coldspring Elementary School (1400 Exeter Hall Ave.).

LEE RITES — Funeral director Herbert Nutter, left, escorts Mrs. Elaine Howard and her brother, George E. Lee Jr., into St. James Episcopal Church Jan. 3, for requiem mass for their father, Dr. George E. Lee Sr., longtime Baltimore city pharmacist. Other relatives in background, nieces and nephews, DeWitt Howard 3rd, Baltimore; George; and Helen Lee, Detroit; Mrs. George E. Lee Jr., Detroit; brother and sister-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, Normal, Ala., and brother, Dr. Maurice Lee, West Palm Beach, Fla. Also surviving is a sister, Birdie Lee Jones, Tallahassee, Fla.

(AFRO staff photo by Benjamin Murphy Phillips IV)

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